

# FINAL 2015 AC WORK PLAN

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ACX= Advisory Council Executive Committee							
Advisory Council Administration and Operation							
IPC-AC Annual Meeting 2015		Postponed until January 2016	Promote communication and collaboration, as appropriate, on topics of mutual interest to AC and IPC; identify topics to include in AC 2016 work plan	1) Agreement/Outcome of 2015 joint meeting on proposed actions 2) Executive Committee work with IPC representatives to outline format for AC/IPC annual meeting	1) Hold joint AC/IPC annual meeting; incorporate any agreed upon actions into work plan 2) With concurrence of IPC, conduct work groups/ collaborate on agreed actions.	ACX and IPC representatives; Sanctuary Superintendent	IPC Postponed and rescheduled for January 2016
National AC Chairs Summit		Summit scheduled for January 2016 in MD	Shared awareness of different AC initiatives and activities across national marine sanctuary system; AC Chairs provide input on national or regional issues and initiatives	AC Chair briefed on national meeting agenda and topics and reports back to OCNMS staff and AC	AC position on key topics for national meeting	AC Chair	Postponed to FY16
Annual Work Plan Development	COM1	Present Draft AC 2015 Work Plan at January 2015 SAC mtg and adopt as working document	Prioritize work of AC to focus on highest priority issues and maximize effectiveness of advice to Sanctuary Superintendent; finalize 2014 annual AC work plan and develop draft 2015 WP	OCNMS staff provide briefing on anticipated priorities for Annual Operating Plan; work with ACX on discussion draft	AC Work Plan developed for AC review and input in January 2015 for adoption	ACX; AC Coordinator	Completed, AC 2015 Work Plan Adopted January 2015
New Member Recruitment	COM1	Recruitment for Tourism/Economic Development alternate in March 2015 and November 2015; recruitment for Education, Fishing and MRC in November 2015 (due to term ends)	Recruit engaged and active AC representatives	Notification of open seats in quarterly periods in 2015; 3 seats expire 12/31/15 but current members may reapply	1) Identify and share announcement to potential candidates. 2) Executive Committee reviews candidates and makes recommendations to Superintendent	ACX; AC Coordinator	New members in 2015 include Jodie Toft, Conservation; Steve Shively, Tourism/Economic Development; AC consensus to amend Charter so that Commercial Fishing seat will become Fishing seat

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Emerging Topics							
A. Collaborative and Coordinated Management							
Sanctuary Outreach for AC members	COM1	March 2015 meeting	Increased awareness of OCNMS and its AC among AC members; improved AC member and constituent participation at AC meetings and public reach to networks; OCNMS gains better understanding of what AC members are doing to promote sanctuary	AC members surveyed on what tools they need to help them promote OCNMS to constituents; AC discussion on desired goals and activities; education/training to AC as requested; AC Coordinator to e-distribute bi-monthly Office Report and email recap after each meeting	Possible actions: 1) AC members more effective in their constituent outreach of OCNMS 2) AC members announce AC meetings and outcomes on distribution lists or websites 3) AC members identify and report on a constituent outreach effort for FY15 on voluntary basis 4) Active participation by primary and/or alternate member in AC meetings and working groups	AC Chair/ ACX; AC Coordinator	Presentation on OCNMS web resources for AC members at March 2015 meeting by AC Chair
Management Plan Implementation	OPS10	Ongoing with end-of-year briefing to AC at November 2015 meeting	Provide advice on OCNMS 2015 MP priorities; review specific Action Plans from OCNMS Management Plan to adaptively update	2015 MP Implementation Report and 2016 MP Implementation Priorities document	Climate Change Working Group formed to review and revise, if necessary, Climate Change Action Plan in OCNMS Management Plan; OCNMS presents FY2015 MP Implementation Report at Nov. 2015 meeting with discussion of FY2016 Implementation Priorities, focusing on what the AC considers to be the most important in light of budget	Kevin Grant- OCNMS staff lead; Climate Change Working Group (Chair George Hart)	Formation of Climate Change Action Plan Working Group in April 2015 with ongoing meetings and updates; recommendation that OCNMS be sentinel site adopted by AC and forwarded to Superintendent, along with approval of CCWG final report

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<b>B. Research, Assessment and Monitoring</b>							
Indicator species for OCNMS	ECO9 related to CLIM2	<i>see "Ecosystem Indicators" below</i>					
OCNMS Coastal Moorings Program	OCEO1	March 2015 meeting	Discuss and develop alternative funding scenarios to help identify prioritization for OCNMS oceanographic monitoring through coastal moorings	Status briefings by Moorings WG and OCNMS Data Management	Recommendations for OCNMS moorings priorities given different funding scenarios	Kevin Grant- OCNMS staff lead; Oceanographic Monitoring Group (Chair Jan Newton)	Oceanographic Monitoring Group formed in February 2015 and presented recommendations for OCNMS mooring buoy deployment under various budget scenarios at March 2015 meeting; recommendations adopted by AC and forwarded to Superintendent
<b>C. Ocean Literacy</b>							
Visitor Experience	VISIT3	January 2015 meeting	OCNMS to understand the pros and cons of various potential locations for educational kiosk and the value of location in order to decide on its placement	Educational Kiosk Subcommittee receives a list of various locations on Olympic Peninsula near sanctuary that meet requirements and criteria to rank for hosting OCNMS kiosk in strategic location for visitors	Educational Kiosk Subcommittee to provide an evaluation of and recommendation for preferred locations for placement of OCNMS educational kiosk in sanctuary's vicinity	Jacqueline Laverdure- OCNMS staff lead; Education Kiosk Subcommittee (Chair Bob Boekelheide)	Education Kiosk Subcommittee presented final report and recommendation for location of two sanctuary kiosks near outer coast at January meeting; AC adopted and forwarded recommendations to Superintendent
Youth Participation Program	COM1	January 2015 meeting	Gain perspective of younger adults on key topics; expose more youth to sanctuary related issues and processes; encourage and foster future leaders in marine conservation	Youth Seat Subcommittee evaluates effectiveness of trial year of Youth Participation Program and makes recommendations on how to involve youth at future AC meetings	Youth Seat Subcommittee to provide recommendations on whether SAC should involve youth in futures meetings, and if so, how and in what capacity?	Jacqueline Laverdure- OCNMS staff lead and Youth Seat Subcommittee (Chair Katrina Lassiter)	Youth Seat Subcommittee presented final report and recommendation at January 2015 meeting not to create a Youth Seat on the AC, but rather prioritize engaging with youth on field-based education programs; recommendation adopted by AC and forwarded to Superintendent

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ONMS Travel and Tourism Strategy	COM1	March and September 2015 meetings	Awareness of National Travel and Tourism strategy and ways OCNMS can participate; AC informed about national or regional issues and initiatives	Advisory Council receives updates on OCNMS follow-ups from Tourism Working Group recommendations; AC receives updates on national/region and local efforts to support National Travel and Tourism Strategy	Advisory Council provides input on National Travel and Tourism Strategy; Potential for participation in outcomes of SAC-FAC 2014 Joint Call to Action	OCNMS Staff	Staff provided briefing on kiosk implementation recommendations at March and September 2015 meetings; OCNMS to host education booth again at annual OP Tourism Summit October 2015

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D. Natural Resource Conservation							
Ecosystem Indicators for OCNMS	CLIM2 related to ECO9	July and September 2015	Improved ability to monitor and understand ecosystem processes and relationships, changes over time; indicators to measure OCNMS health should not be limited to species and can include environmental parameters	Potential to support future National Condition Report and OCNMS Site Condition Report; AC receives updates from state's MSP efforts in order to build off their work	Potential to expand oceanographic data collection efforts for sentinel site and/or other water quality monitoring efforts; potential to determine strong set of indicators and their prioritization for OCNMS	Liam Antrim- OCNMS staff lead	Presentation on WA Outer Coast Ecological Indicators by Dr. Chris Harvey at July 2015 mtg; Presentation on Review of Ecosystem Indicators by Jessie Hale and Liam Antrim at Sept. 2015 mtg; Consideration to reconvene Science Working Group in 2016
E. Cultural, Historical and Socioeconomic Significance							
None at this time							
Topics of Interest		How/When Topic Addressed					
OCNMS Data Management		Jan. 2015 - OCNMS (Nancy Wright & Justin Ellis) presentation					
Coastal Marine Spatial Planning		Jan. 2015 - Jennifer Hennessey (WDOE) presentation	March 2015 - Gus Gates presentation (Surfrider Foundation)	July 2015 - Chris Harvey (NWFSC) presentation			
WA Marine and Rail Oil Transportation Study		July 2015 - WDOE (Scott Ferguson) presentation					
WA Maritime National Heritage Area		Discussion at Nov. 2015 AC meeting					
Science Needs Documents		Mentioned at January and March 2015 meetings					
Sanctuary as Sentinel Site		Climate Change Working Group updates; CCWG report & recommendations at Sept. 2015 mtg					
IPC Habitat Framework		Sept. 2015 - Joe Schumacker (IPC & AC member)					
Socioeconomic Issues/Studies		March 2015 - Gus Gates (Surfrider Foundation) presentation	Sept. 2015 - ONMS & NCCOS (Bob Leeworthy, Laurie Bauer and Sarah Gonyo)				
Ocean Acidification		May 2015 - Yongwen Gao (Makah) presentation					
Marine Mammal Ship Strikes		Nov. 2015 - Leila Hatch (of SBNMS) and Kathy Broughton (of ONMS) presentation on Ocean Noise and Sanctuaries					

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Acoustics		Nov. 2015 - Leila Hatch (of SBNMS) and Kathy Broughton (of ONMS) presentation on Ocean Noise and Sanctuaries					
Coastal Fisheries		May 2015 - WDFW presentation (Brad Speidel & Heather Reed)					
Citizen Science		Jan 2015 - Heidi Pedersen's presentation on COASST and NOAA Marine Debris monitoring	July 2015 - Julia Parrish presentation on Cassin's Auklet winter wreck				
Voluntourism		May 2015 - Jon Schmidt presentation (CoastSavers)	July 2015 - Nancy Messmer presentation (Lions Club Int'l and others)				
Other		March 2015 - Christopher Krembs presentation on Eyes Over Puget Sound	May 2015 - Melissa Williams presentation on Feiro MLC and education partnerships	July 2015 - Steve Shively presentation on Olympic Culinary Loop	Sept 2015 - Dayna Matthews presentation on NOAA Office of Law Enforcement	Nov. 2015 - Stephanie Moore presentation on West Coast Harmful Algal Blooms	
Past Topics to track as needed/desired							
Marine debris and Japan tsunami debris response		Jan. 2015 - OCNMS (Heidi Pedersen) presentation	July 2015- Nancy Messmer presented on Pacific Rim Marine Debris cleanup	Nov. 2015- Nir Barnea on Japanese Tsunami Marine Debris			
Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)		Status updates provided during member reports by John Stadler					
Lake Ozette Sockeye recovery (LOSR) planning							
Outreach and Compliance for Area To Be Avoided (ATBA) and Cruise Ship Discharge and Overflight Regulations							
Long Range Interpretive Plan		Final version distributed to AC members					
U.S. Navy Activities		Status updates provided during member reports by George Hart					